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The time for the territorial horticultural fair at Santa Fe has not yet been fixed because the officers as usual try to act in barmony with those of the fair at Albuquerque, and the latter have not yet determined their date. Most exhibitors of fruits from a distance, and especially from the Pecos and San Juan valleys wi-h to send the same exhibit to both fairs so that it is very desirable to have them come together. While the fruit crop is injured in many localities, yet the individual specimens will, if anything, be better by reason of scarcity, and the fair will suffer very little from this cause. President Prince received a letter last evening from C. H. McHeury, of San Juan county, in which he says their apple crop is but little injured and promises a fine exhibit at the fair. Mr. McHenry is one of the most en ergetic citizens of the northwest of this territory and has much experience in arranging exhibits, so that his letter is very encouraging.- New

SPRAY THE FRUIT TREES.

So far as I know there are no ser ious fungous diseases of orchard fruits in New Mexico, but the apple and pear are badly dumaged by the Codling moth, also known as the apple worm. While the testimony of experimenters differs much as to the benefit to be derived from spraying with Paris green solution as a means of killing the Coding moth, the great majority of those who have tried it recommend the practice. Its success is largely proportional to the thoroughness with which the work

To make Paris green solution, use 2 pounds of lime and 1 pound of Paris green to 160 gallons of water or one-fourth of each to a barrel of water. Take unslacked lime, and after weighing, slack and strain it. moisten thoroughly with a very little water, making a paste; add water gradually until a complete solution is made. If much water is ad led to the dry poison it will form lumps and not mix readily. Having placed the lime and poison solution in the barrel, add enough water to fill it. The solution is best applied to the trees by means of a spraying pump attached to the barrel. This is carried on a wagon, the work being better done from above if possible. The nozzle should be graduated to throw a spray as tine as mist, and every part of the tree should be reached; but no more need be applied than DURANGO, COLO. will cause dripping from the tree. Practice and care are necessary to apply the poison evenly and thoroughly, and every fruit should be reached.

The time to spray is after the blossoms fall and before the fruit stems curve downward. It is best to make two or three sprayings; first just as the last petals full, then again at intervals of about ten days. The Codling moth is most apt to lay its eggs in the blossom end of the fruit, hence it is especially important that the blossom end be well covered with the poison; this is why the spraying should be done while the ting fruits stand erect on their stems As soon as the egg hatches the worm begins feeding, esting its way into the fruit. To be at all effective the poison must be on the fruit when the worm is batched. In the southern parts of the territory the Codling mosh has three of four broods a year and is much more difficult to combat than in northern New Mexico and at All grades of BOOKS used in New Mexico Schools kept in high elevations, but spring spraying should greatly reduce the number of worms even where there is more than one brood a year. A bulletin has been issued by the Agricultural Experiment station on the Codling moth, which will be sent free, postage prepaid, to any address on application to the President of the Agricultaral College at Mesilla

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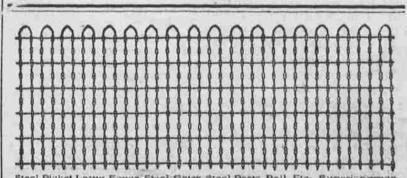
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